

B-3407 - B-3418  
402-466 E. Cross St. (North side)  
Baltimore, Md.  
Private access

c.1845 - 1907

The north side of Cross St. east of Riverside Ave. is improved by a variety of building types. The earliest houses on the block, a group of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses built by several different builders in the 1840's and early 1850's, is located in the middle of the block at 430-450 E. Cross St. To the east of this group of houses, there is a small, one story, gable-roofed brick church, built in 1873 for the congregation of the Sailors' Union Bethel, a group of seamen who had formerly worshipped on the William Penn, an old clipper ship berthed at the Lee St. wharf. At the far eastern end of the block, near Covington St., there are several two and three story, simple brick structures built in the 1870's or earlier, which were formerly owned by the Rossmarck Brewery which operated a tavern on the site. At the western end of the block, near Riverside Ave., there are two distinct groups of late Victorian-style houses. The first group, 402-408 E. Cross St., is a group of two story, three bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built by James F. Morgan in the late 1880's as part of his development of the adjoining section of Riverside Ave. At 410-420 E. Cross St. there is a row of two story, two bay wide brown brick houses with shed roofs and simple sheet metal bracketed cornices, built by Walter Hampson in 1907. This latter group, along with similar rows built by Hampson directly north of this row on Grindall and Hamburg Streets, are the last houses to be built in the Federal Hill area.

# MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

### 1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

### 2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

402-408 Cross St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

### 3 CLASSIFICATION

#### CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

#### OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH

#### PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

#### STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED  
☐ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS  
☒ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☐ NO

#### ACCESSIBLE

#### PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE  
☐ COMMERCIAL  
☐ EDUCATIONAL  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT  
☐ GOVERNMENT  
☐ INDUSTRIAL  
☐ MILITARY  
☐ MUSEUM  
☐ PARK  
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ OTHER

### 4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE zip code

### 5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

### 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED      DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

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This row of two story, three bay brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices was built as a unit in 1887 by the same builder who constructed the neighboring row, 1029-1045 Riverside Ave. The houses are essentially the same as the houses on Riverside Ave. 408 Cross is covered with formstone.

The houses are 14' wide and occupy lots 85' deep. Each house is two rooms deep and has a two story high, two bay deep rear addition. Each also once had a two story high, one bay deep frame addition, which survives at 406 and 408 but has been replaced by a masonry addition at 404 and is gone at 402. The houses are constructed in running bond. The shed roof is capped by a continuous cornice almost identical to that of the row at 1029-1045 Riverside Ave. There is a deeply projecting crown molding set above panels decorated with scroll-sawed motifs, bordered on their upper edge with a row of small quarter-round carvings and at their lower edge with a row of large quarter-round carvings. Four carved brackets per house ( the end brackets being shared by adjoining houses) support the cornice and connect it to a lower molding strip decorated with quarter-round carvings. The brick freize area thus formed was punctuated by scroll-sawed ventilating panels which are now missing, as is the lower molding strip from every house but 402 Cross. Each house has a hooded chimney located along the east side of the house. Each pair of houses has a double hooded chimney centrally located at the north end of the rear addition.

All of the door and window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels with scroll-sawed tympanums. The sills are wood. All of the window openings at 402, 404, and 406 Cross St. are filled with new 6/6 sash. The window openings at 408 Cross are filled with 1/1 sash. 402 Cross has a modern six panel door set beneath a new four-light transom; 404 Cross has a modern six panel door set beneath a single light transom; 406 Cross has a modern flush door set beneath a single light transom; and 408 Cross has the original Mission-style oak door set beneath a single light transom bordered by a row of quarter-round carvings. The houses sit on fairly low basements, the entrances being reached by two stone steps each. Each house has two rectangular basement window openings.

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**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

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PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

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SPECIFIC DATES	1887	BUILDER/ARCHITECT	James F. Morgan
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**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE**

See under 1001-1021 Riverside Ave.

This row of houses is essentially identical to the rows built by Morgan at 1001-1021 and 1027-1049 Riverside Ave. 402 Cross St. was sold by Morgan to a Henry Wiedeck, a laborer, who lived here in the 1880's; 404 Cross was sold to a Thomas A. Jones, a carpenter, who lived here in the 1890's; 406 Cross was sold to a George Morris, also a carpenter, who lived here in the 1890's and early 1900's; and 408 Cross was sold to a James Pearman, a laborer, who lived here in the early 1890's.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Baltimore City Land Records, Liber JB 1170, Folio 155; 1577/248, 251; 1261/286; Baltimore City Directory, 1888, 1890, 1898, 1905

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 14' x 85'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	COUNTY
STATE	COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE	
M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor	
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Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles	4/79
STREET & NUMBER	TELEPHONE
1745 Circle Rd.	
CITY OR TOWN	STATE
Ruxton	Maryland 21204

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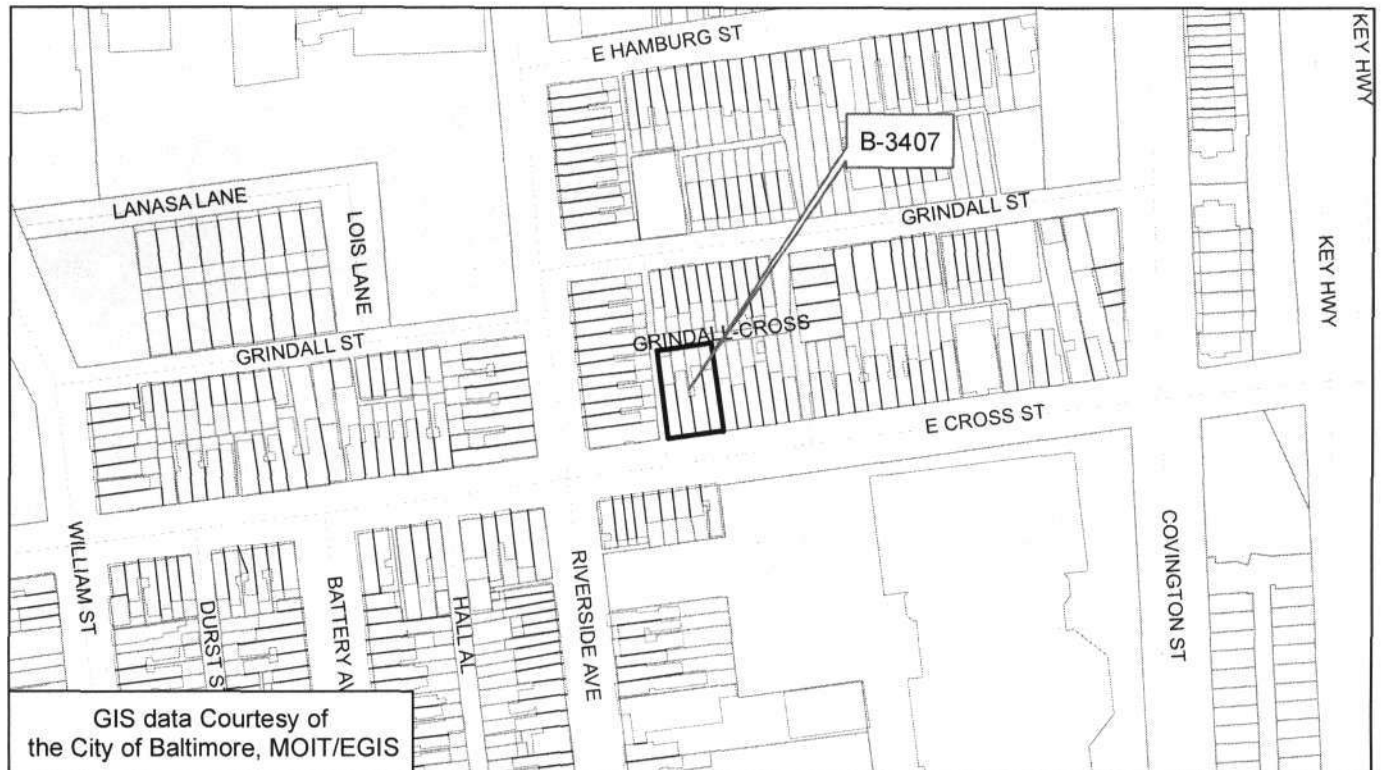
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Baltimore City  
Baltimore East Quad.







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402-408 E. Cross St.

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South elevation



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406 E. Cross St.

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South elevation